

## Safety Tips for Parents



Parents should review the five basic safety rules with their children – follow up and reinforce them.

- ① Be on time. Walk, don't run to the bus stop.
- ② *Never Cross* the street to catch a bus *Without Stopping* and *Looking* both ways. Cars may not stop to let you cross even if the bus is stopped and waiting for you to cross, many cars will speed up to pass a parked bus. A car passing your bus may be going too fast and see you too late to avoid hitting you.
- ③ Wait for the school bus, whenever possible, on the side of the street where you will enter the bus. Wait three steps back from the curb.

- ④ When leaving the bus, stay on the sidewalk or roadside where you get off. **DO NOT** attempt to cross the street while the bus is still there. **WAIT** for the bus to leave before crossing. **NEVER** Cross the street in front of or behind the bus.

- ⑤ After the bus has left your stop, look both ways before crossing.

***P**rotect yourself and watch out!*

*Be aware of the street traffic around you*

***Remember – Traffic Does Not Stop for Busses***

## SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

# Be Seen - Be Safe



# Cross in View - The Thing To Do



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# YOUR SAFETY DEPENDS ON YOU

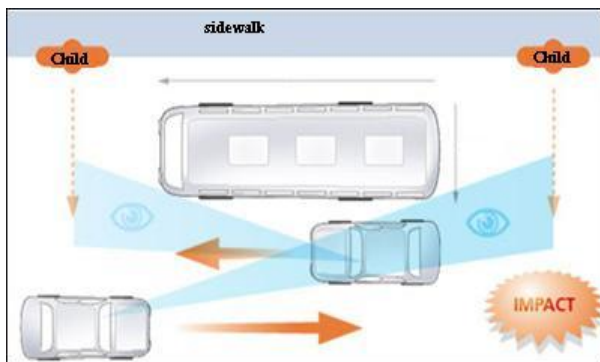


**The Traffic Rules** are different.

School bus laws in the United States, designed to protect children, actually make them vulnerable to injury in Europe.

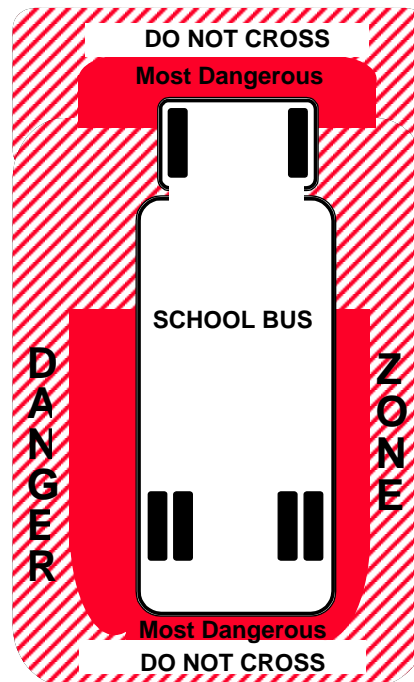
One of the key differences is that traffic is not required to stop for loading and unloading school busses. Motorists coming from both directions must slow down when approaching a school bus. They have to come to a complete stop, **ONLY IF NECESSARY**, when the bus driver is using the four way flashers, indicating loading or unloading.

## *Assessing The Risks.*



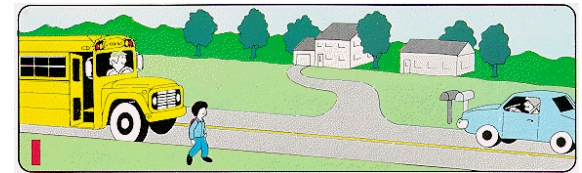
No Child should expect traffic to stop for him or her to cross the street. Running across the street without looking for oncoming traffic or stepping out in front of or behind a parked school bus could prove tragic or even fatal.

It is advised that parents thoroughly discuss safety rules with children, paying particular attention to crossing roads.

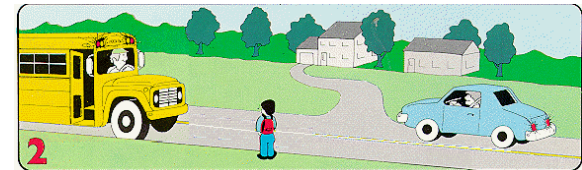


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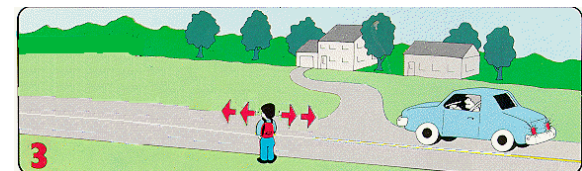
## HOW TO CROSS SAFELY



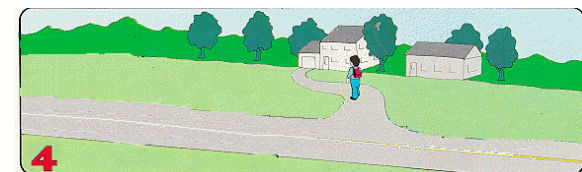
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**After the bus has left, look both ways before crossing.**



**Cross the road safely paying attention to oncoming traffic.**